



Boots on the Ground

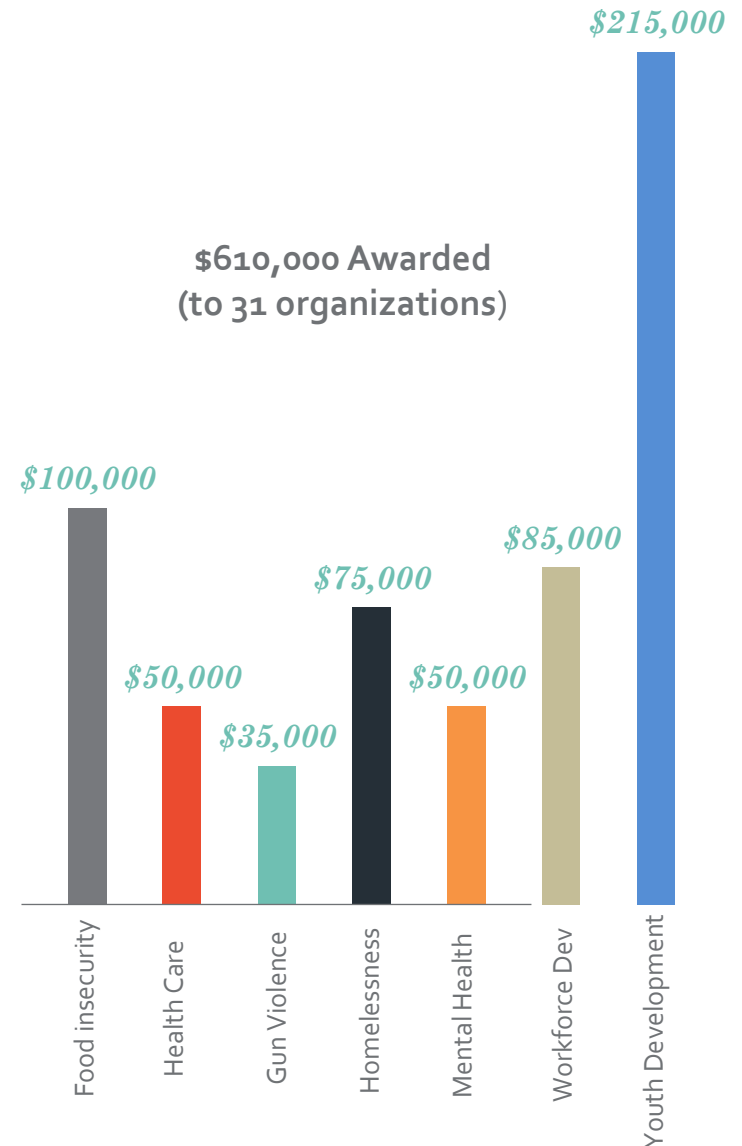
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About Boots on the Ground

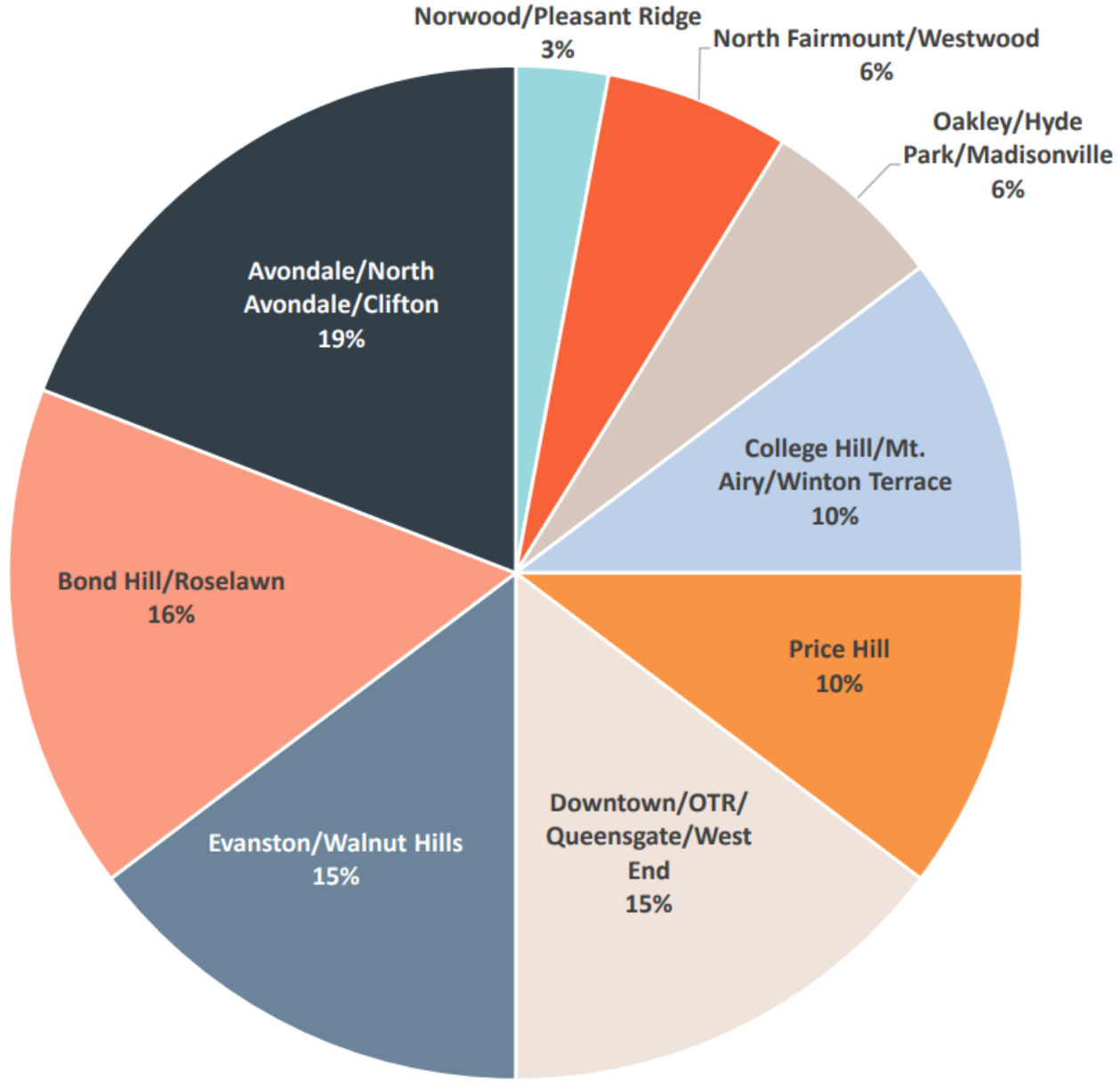
Greater Cincinnati Foundation has partnered with the City of Cincinnati, Interact for Health, and biz to establish the “Boots on the Ground Fund” to provide capacity building grants (up to \$25,000) to small grass roots organizations

Purpose

- To strengthen the capacity of small, community-based organizations
- To create more equitable solutions by prioritizing inclusion, community voice, and engagement with leaders of color and those with lived experience
- To provide resources to those orgs that have historically found funding opportunities inaccessible



BOOTS ON THE GROUND NEIGHBORHOODS IMPACTED



BOOTS ON THE GROUND AWARD DETAILS

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Organization	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); font-size: small;">Black_Led?</div> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); font-size: small;">Health_Related</div> </div>		Focus Area	Neighborhood(s) Served	Request Title	Total Approved
A.M. Lewis Enterprises	Y		Youth development	Low-income	Black Boys in Tech: Mission '26	\$15,000
Bigger Than Sneakers	-		Youth development	Cincinnati	BTS Academy	\$10,000
Bi-Okoto Cultural Center	Y		Workforce development	Cincinnati	Continuation and Expansion of Bi-Okoto's Educational programs	\$25,000
Camp BYOC	Y		Youth development	Avondale; Bond Hill; Monfort Heights; College Hill	BYOC 2023 New and Enhanced Programs	\$15,000
Casa de Paz	-		Homelessness prevention and access to affordable housing	Cincinnati	Rental Assistance for Women Ready to Move Out of Casa de Paz	\$25,000
Center For Healing The Hurt	Y	Y	Mental health, behavioral health, and substance use services	Avondale; Bond Hill; Winton Terrace; Price Hill	Children and Teen Trauma Counseling	\$25,000
Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center	-		Workforce development	Price Hill; OTR; West End; Queensgate	Project Arise: Working Women Fighting for Racial Justice in Cincinnati	\$15,000
Community Economic Advancement Initiative (CEAI)	Y	Y	Access to affordable, healthy foods (reduction of food deserts)	Bond Hill	Operations/Development Expenses	\$17,500
Community Engagement Collective	Y	Y	Mental health, behavioral health, and substance use services	Cincinnati	BIPOC Mental and Behavioral Health Provider Directory Launch and Coalition Development	\$25,000
Cornerstone Renter Equity	Y		Homelessness prevention and access to affordable housing	OTR; Downtown	Renter Equity Program	\$25,000
Drive To Thrive	Y		Workforce development	Evanston; Price Hill; Walnut Hills; Bond Hill	Drive to Thrive Cincinnati	\$25,000
Flywheel Social Enterprise Hub	N		Workforce development	Cincinnati	U-Start U-Grow	\$10,000
Forever Kings Inc.	Y		Youth development	Bond Hill; College Hill; Avondale; West End	Boyz II Kings Program	\$25,000
Fourthwall Youth Studios, Sponsored by Activities Beyond the Classroom	N		Youth development	Price Hill; Madisonville; West End; Westwood	Fourthwall Youth Studios - Mental Health and Disabilities Film Series	\$21,500
From Fatherless To Fearless	Y		Youth development	College Hill; Clifton	Operations Support for BRIDGE Program	\$25,000
Guiding Light Mentoring	Y		Gun violence and gang prevention	Norwood; Evanston; Walnut Hills; OTR	I AM ME Youth Summit - Gun Violence Prevention	\$10,000
I Dream Academy	Y		Gun violence and gang prevention	Avondale ; East Walnut Hills; Bond Hill; Evanston	YOUTH SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE	\$25,000

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	Black Lead	Health-Related				
Ladies of Leadership-Ohio Inc.	Y		Youth development	Avondale; Evanston; Price Hill; Pleasant Ridge	Transforming the Lives of our Youth	\$25,000
Last Mile Food Rescue	N	Y	Access to affordable, healthy foods (reduction of food deserts)	Avondale	Last Mile Mobile Market	\$10,000
Madisonville Education and Assistance Center	Y	Y	Access to affordable, healthy foods (reduction of food deserts)	Madisonville; East End; Oakley; Hyde Park	Serving and Reconnecting with MEAC Marketplace Community	\$25,000
Never The Less, Inc.	Y		Youth development	Bond Hill; Roselawn; Carthage; Edgemont	Never The Less Inc	\$15,000
North Fairmount Community Center	N		Homelessness prevention and access to affordable housing	North Fairmount	Deepening Services for High-Risk Residents in North Fairmount	\$25,000
Our Tribe	Y	Y	Access to health care and public health	Cincinnati	For Us, By Us-- Promoting the Uplifting of the Black Autism Community in Cincinnati	\$25,000
Rosemarys Babies Co.	Y		Youth development	Avondale; North Avondale; Cincinnati	Leadership & Legacy Youth Development & Petals Outlook	\$20,000
Safer Birth Foundation	N	Y	Access to health care and public health	Avondale; Walnut Hills; Winton Place; Winton Hills	Access to Midwives Fund	\$25,000
The D.A.D. Initiative	Y		Youth development	Cincinnati	Project GROW	\$25,000
Third Presbyterian Church	Y		Workforce development	East Westwood; Villages at Roll Hill	Opening Doors Program	\$10,000
Wesley Chapel Mission Center	Y		Youth development	OTR	Computers and Training for After-School Program	\$8,500
Whole Again International	Y	Y	Access to affordable, healthy foods (reduction of food deserts)	Avondale; Price Hill; West End; Walnut Hills	Whole Again's Summer Food and Enrichment Program	\$25,000
Young CEO Program S.E.E.W.T.P.	Y		Youth development	Avondale; Mt. Airy	Young CEO Program	\$10,000
Your Store of the Queen City	N	Y	Access to affordable, healthy foods (reduction of food deserts)	Lower Price Hill; Bond Hill; Walnut Hills; Avondale	Meiser's Grocery: From Neighbor Start-up to Food Sovereignty through Good Food Governance	\$22,500

TOTAL Requested	\$	964,478.00
Total Budget	\$	610,000.00
Total Health Budget	\$	200,000.00
TOTAL Approved	\$	610,000.00
Total Health-Related Approved	\$	200,000.00

Grant Review Process

\$3.17M in Requests from 136 organizations

15 volunteer Community Members

5 Grant Review Committees

Beyond the Funding

Four (4) BOTG Workshops



Thank You!

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